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Texas Man Sentenced on Federal Fraud Charges

Portland, Maine: United States Attorney Paula D. Silsby announced today that a federal judge sitting in Portland sentenced **Calvin Dewayne Asberry**, 39, of Dallas, Texas, to 27 months in prison to be followed by 3 years supervised release for conspiring to commit access device fraud. Asberry was also ordered to pay \$53,957.82 in restitution. **Asberry** had pleaded guilty to access device fraud on March 30, 2007.

According to court records, **Asberry** conspired with other individuals to obtain personal identification numbers, or PINs, for stolen corporate fuel cards. **Asberry** intended to use the PINs and the stolen cards to obtain and sell fuel without authorization. **Asberry** provided a co-conspirator with account numbers for stolen fuel cards and instructed the co-conspirator to try to obtain PINs by offering money to employees of the issuing company. After the co-conspirator contacted a customer service representative for the issuing company, the company notified the United States Secret Service, which conducted a sting operation during which **Asberry** negotiated for the sale of PINs and provided money for that purpose. The investigation culminated in **Asberry's** arrest in Dallas, Texas after he was observed selling approximately \$2,100.00 worth of diesel fuel that he had obtained using a stolen fuel card. At **Asberry's**

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sentencing, the Court found that **Asberry** was responsible for over \$53,000.00 in fraudulent fuel purchases and ordered restitution accordingly.

United States Attorney Silsby praised the investigation conducted by the United States Secret Service.

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